

PYRAMID

When a pyramid is in its usual position the bubbles rise to the peak and escape through a special opening in a few

big gulps. But when the pyramid is upsidedown the bubbles rise to the large dirt-clogged bottom, too spread out to be forceful,

and escape slowly, unpredictably.

TV

Time to polish the TV. Time to get comedy out of the TV corner dust. I like to laugh, a girl in tights in an empty house. A girl

with What? A missing husband? A funny cat who wraps himself round the boiler? A girl who never lived in an apartment and therefore doesn't understand one room plays?

Time to color the TV like an old aunt. A little rouge on the cheeks and hams in oil. A girl who likes oil paintings in old house galleries. A girl who

never lived in an old house.

MONICA

Her name is Monica: a cardboard doll wearing lots of one-sided colored paper clothes. Her face has peeled off and her feet

are torn and if you put her in a tub of water she'd probably dissolve. But she isn't yours: and you only ever see her through a neighbor's

window. It could be your eyes.

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